



Response Under 37 CFR §1.116
Expedited Procedure - Group 1733

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

MASAKI MIZUTANI, et al.

Application No.: 09/813,137

Filed: March 21, 2001

For: METHOD OF PRODUCING
SEMINDUCTOR THIN FILM
AND METHOD OF PRODUCING
SOLAR CELL USING SAME

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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(a) INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is a response to the final Office Action dated April 22, 2003, the period for further response having been extended three months from July 22, 2003 to October 22, 2003 by the Petition for Extension of Time dated October 22, 2003, and in connection with which a timely Notice of Appeal was filed on October 22, 2003.